HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1074

By McDonald

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Joshua Morgan Bland, 2012 Valedictorian of Portland High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Morgan Bland is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2012 graduating class at Portland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Joshua has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Bland has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including four years of soccer, two years of cross country, and one year on the academic team; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Joshua Bland has earned subject awards in science and social studies and participated in the Sycamore Church of Christ Bible Bowl, in which he won third place in 2009, first place in 2010, and third place in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Joshua's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at Harding University, where he plans to major in cell biology; and

WHEREAS, Joshua's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Denise Hudson and Richard Hudson, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bland's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2012 Portland High School Valedictorian, Joshua Morgan Bland, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.